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RESPONSE TO THE NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 USC 371

In response to the Notification of Missing Requirements mailed on November 17, 2006, enclosed is authorization to charge Attorney Deposit Account No. 16-2500 the amount of \$130.00 for payment of the late oath or declaration filing fee surcharge for a large entity. Also enclosed, please find a Petition of Extension of Time for three (3) months in the amount of \$1,020.00. The Commissioner is also authorized to charge Attorney Deposit Account 16-2500 for any additional fees that may be due in this matter.

To complete the filing requirements, Applicant is enclosing a copy of an Executed Declaration and Power of Attorney form together with a copy of the Notification of Missing Requirements. Also enclosed is a Preliminary Amendment, which includes a claim amendment to remove multiple dependencies from the claims.

Respectfully submitted,

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